



**COMMISSION FOR THE PRESERVATION OF WILD HORSES**  
*Catherine Barcomb, Administrator*

***PURPOSE:***

The Commission for the Preservation of Wild Horses purpose is to preserve viable herds of wild horses on public lands. Serve as an advocate for wild horses with federal agencies to ensure that sufficient habitat is available. Serve as a clearinghouse for information to the general public and the news media on all aspects of the wild horse program.



<b>STATUTORY AUTHORITY:</b>	NRS 504.430 - 504.490
<b>NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES:</b>	1 FTE / 2004
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Two stallions fighting for their territory from the Red Rock Herd Management Area in southern Nevada, in the Red Rock National Conservation Area.

Photo courtesy of Mary Sue Kunz

***GOAL OR OBJECTIVE:***

Review land use planning documentation in a timely manner.

***ACCOMPLISHMENT:***

- ❏ Reviewed approximately 250-land use planning documents from July 2003 through August 2004.

***KEY LONG-TERM GOALS AND OBJECTIVES:***

- ❏ Serve as an advocate for the preservation of wild horses through intergovernmental reviews and evaluations. Monitor and respond to federal land management environmental and action documents.
- ❏ Encourage public adoption of wild horses and burros.



The Cowgirl Way Equestrian Drill Team is from Norco, CA, and competes all over the west with adopted Nevada horses from Palomino Valley Corrals.

The Wild Horse Program arranged with BLM for the team to be given the horses and for the prison program to donate the horse training.

Photo courtesy of Cheryl Davidovich  
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- ❏ Establish and maintain appropriate management levels to preserve rangeland health.
- ❏ Work to reduce the levels of conflict and open lines of communications between various interest groups, state agencies, and federal agencies.
- ❏ Continue to assist in establishing a National Wild Horse and Burro Foundation in partnership with the BLM. Continue to work with the foundation to enhance the BLM's adoption/education program.

- Continue to work with partners from the private sector, state agencies, and federal agencies to achieve the goals projected in the “Plan of Goals, Strategies, and Recommendations for the Preservation and Protection of the Wild Horses for the State of Nevada”.
- Seek to enhance the adoption and holding program by coordinating with the BLM’s 2002-2005 Strategic Plan through partnership with the DOC.
- Partner with the DOC in fundraising efforts to build the Orphan Foal Rescue Center at the Silver Springs Correctional Center.
- Work with the National Wild Horse and Burro Show Association and the Western States Wild Horse and Burro Expo group to enhance educational opportunities and the adoption program.
- Seek partnership options for the Oliver Ranch Project, co-sponsored by the BLM and “Outside Las Vegas,” to enhance educational programs for the environment and the wild horse program.
- Continue to encourage public participation in all aspects of the wild horse program and protection of their habitat.



Lone bay stallion standing proud and inquisitive from the Red Rock Herd Management Area in southern Nevada, in the Red Rock National Conservation Area.

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